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Rai Bahadur Sir K. VENKATAREDDI NAYUDU :—" With your permission, Sir, I shall try to clear the situation. Though it may be that only Rs. 55,461 has been spent already, obligations must have been incurred which go much higher than that figure. I may say that it exceeds a lakh and odd rupees."

Mr. S. SATYAMURTI :—" Sir, I did not ask any such question."

Rai Bahadur Sir K. VENKATAREDDI NAYUDU :—" The hon. the President wanted to know whether the figures given by the hon. the Minister for Development were correct."

The hon. the PRESIDENT :—" Probably I was in error—(laughter)—and my interruption was uncalled for."

III

ELECTION OF MEMBERS TO THE BOARD OF INDUSTRIES.

The hon. the PRESIDENT :—" I have to announce that the following candidates have been nominated for election as representatives of the Council on the Board of Industries :—

Mr. J. A. Saldanha,
Mr. K. V. Ramachari,
Diwan Bahadur K. Suryanarayanamurti Nayudu,
Khan Bahadur P. Khalif-ul-lah Sahib,
Mr. Sami Venkatachala Chettiyar.

" As the number of candidates exceeds the number of vacancies, viz., 2, election by means of single transferable vote has to be held. The Secretary will deliver to the Members a list of nominated candidates at 1-30 p.m. to-day and hon. Members are requested to vote for two candidates and return the voting papers to the Secretary before 11 a.m. to-morrow."

IV

COMMUNICATION TO THE COUNCIL.

11-15 a.m. The SECRETARY laid on the table * G.O. No. 1054, Finance, dated 4th December 1923, regarding the constitution of the Finance Committee for the remainder of the year 1923–24.

V

MOTIONS ON MATTERS OF GENERAL PUBLIC INTEREST.

EXECUTION OF THE POLAVARAM ISLAND PROJECT IN THE GODAVARI DISTRICT.

Rai Bahadur Sir K. VENKATAREDDI NAYUDU :—" Mr. President, I beg to move :—

2. *That this Council recommends to the Government the immediate execution of the irrigation scheme known as the Polavaram Island Project in the district of Godavari, the investigation of which has been completed in all its aspects.*

This scheme, Sir, relates to the island of Polavaram in the taluk of Amalapur in the Godavari district. It is an island in the sense that it is surrounded by

* Printed as Appendix on page 304 infra.